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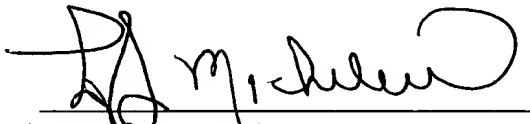
DECLARATION OF DR. MICHELI

I, Lyle Micheli, M.D., declare as follows:

1. I make this declaration in support of U.S. Serial No. 09/917,058.
2. I am a Professor of Orthopedic Surgery in the Sports Medicine Division of Children's Hospital in Boston Massachusetts. I have been working in the field of Sports Medicine since 1974.
3. In the years that I have been performing arthroscopic surgery to treat intra-articular ligament, meniscal and cartilage injuries, I have not seen a need to use a hemostatic agent during the surgery. At the time that the surgery is performed on the patient, any bleeding from the injured tissue has ceased or is minimal or is encouraged to enhance healing. Hemostatic agents are not used routinely during these surgeries. To my knowledge, they are not necessary at all.

4. I, Lyle Micheli, M.D, declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of this document and any patent which may issue from the above-identified patent application.

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